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October 28, 1991

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT P 074 979 143

Mr. Allen Childs Genwal Coal Company 195 North 1st West P.O. Box 1201 Huntington, Utah 84528

Dear Mr. Childs:

Re: <u>Proposed Assessment for State Violation No. N91-37-3-1, Genwal Coal</u>
<u>Company, Crandall Canyon Mine, ACT/015/032, Folder #5, Emery County, Utah</u>

The undersigned has been appointed by the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining as the Assessment Officer for assessing penalties under R614-401.

Enclosed is the proposed civil penalty assessment for the above-referenced violation. The violation was issued by Division Inspector, Priscilla Burton on October 2, 1991. Rule R614-401-600 et. sec. has been utilized to formulate the proposed penalty. By these rules, any written information which was submitted by you or your agent, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the Notice of Violation, has been considered in determining the facts surrounding the violation and the amount of penalty.

Under R614-401-700, there are two informal appeal options available to you:

 If you wish to informally appeal the <u>fact of this violation</u>, you should file a written request for an Informal Conference within 30 days of receipt of this letter. This conference will be conducted by the Division Director. This Informal Conference is distinct from the Assessment Conference regarding the proposed penalty.

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2. If you wish to review the proposed penalty assessment, you should file a written request for an Assessment Conference within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you are also requesting a review of the fact of violation, as noted in paragraph 1, the Assessment Conference will be scheduled immediately following that review.

If a timely request for review is not made, the fact of violation will stand, the proposed penalty(ies) will become final, and the penalty(ies) will be due and payable within thirty (30) days of the proposed assessment. Please remit payment to the Division, mail c/o Vicki Bailey.

Sincerely,

Joseph C. Helfrich Assessment Officer

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WORKSHEET FOR ASSESSMENT OF PENALTIES UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

COMPANY/MINE Genwal Coal Co/Crandall Canyon Mine NOV # N91-37-3-1						
PERMIT #_ACT/015/032						
ASSESSMENT DATE 10/25/91 ASSESSMENT OFFICER Joseph C. Helfrich						
I.	HISTO	ORY MAX 25 PTS				
	A.	Are there previous within 1 year of too		re not pending	g or vacated, which fall	
ASSESSMENT DATE 10/25/91 EFFECTIVE ONE YEAR TO DATE 10/25/90						
	PREVI	OUS VIOLATIONS	EFFECT	TIVE DATE	POINTS	
	_N91-	37-2-1	_08/18	/91_	_1	
II.	1 point for each past violation, up to one year; 5 points for each past violation in a CO, up to one year; No pending notices shall be counted. TOTAL HISTORY POINTS1 SERIOUSNESS (either A or B)					
NOTE: For assignment of points in Parts II and III, the following applies. Based on the facts supplied by the inspector, the Assessment Officer will determine within which category, the Assessment Officer will adjust the points up or down, utilizing the inspector's and operator's statements as guiding documents.						
	Is this	an Event (A)	or Hindrance (B)	violation? _	<u> Hindrance</u>	
	A. Event Violations Max 45 PTS					
	1.	What is the event v	vhich the violated	standard was	designed to prevent?	
	2.	What is the probabi standard was design			ent which a violated	

	 PROBABILITY None Unlikely Likely Occurred	RANGE 0 1-9 10-19 20				
ASSIGN PROBABILITY OF OCCURRENCE POINTS						
PROVIDE A	AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS					
3.	What is the extent of actual or potential damage? RANGE 0 - 25*					
	*In assigning points, consider the duration and extent of said damage or impact, in terms of area and impact on the public or environment.					
PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS ASSIGN DAMAGE POINTS PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS						
B. <u>Hin</u>	drance Violations MAX 25 PTS					
1.	Is this a potential or actual hindrance	to enforcement? <u>Actual</u> RANGE 0 - 25				
	Assign points based on the extent to potentially hindered by the violation.	which enforcement is actually or				
PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS ASSIGN HINDRANCE POINTS 12						
The inspector's statement revealed that an unrealistic pH reading actually hindered the evaluation of water quality data.						
	TOTAL SER	IOUSNESS POINTS (A or B) 12				

III. <u>NEGLIGENCE MAX 30 PTS</u>

A. Was this an inadvertent violation which was unavoidable by the exercise of reasonable care? IF SO - NO NEGLIGENCE;

OR Was this a failure of a permittee to prevent the occurrence of a violation due to indifference, lack of diligence, or lack of reasonable care, or the failure to abate any violation due to the same? IF SO - NEGLIGENCE:

OR Was this violation the result of reckless, knowing, or intentional conduct? IF SO - GREATER DEGREE OF FAULT THAN NEGLIGENCE.

... No Negligence... Negligence... Greater Degree of Fault

STATE DEGREE OF NEGLIGENCE Greater Degree of Fault

ASSIGN NEGLIGENCE POINTS <u>16</u>

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS

The inspector's statement revealed that the permittee was in violation of a specific permit condition, that being, ground water monitoring. Additional information revealed that the inspection of February 28, 1991, referenced an anomalous pH reading of 1.12 for site HD-1 and suggested that Genwal confirm or disprove this pH value.

IV. GOOD FAITH MAX 20 PTS. (EITHER A or B) (Does not apply to violations requiring no abatement measures.)

A. Did the operator have onsite the resources necessary to achieve compliance of the violated standard within the permit area?

... IF SO - EASY ABATEMENT

Easy Abatement Situation

. . . Immediate Compliance -11 to -20*

. . . Immediately following the issuance of the NOV)

. . . Rapid Compliance -1 to -10*

. . . (Permittee used diligence to abate the violation)

... Normal Compliance 0
(Operator complied within the abatement period required)
(Operator complied with conditions and/or terms of approved

Mining and Reclamation Plan)

- * Assign in upper or lower half of range depending on abatement occurring in 1st or 2nd half of abatement period.
- В. Did the permittee not have the resources at hand to achieve compliance OR does the situation require the submission of plans prior to physical activity to achieve compliance?

... IF SO - DIFFICULT ABATEMENT

Difficult Abatement Situation

- . . . Rapid Compliance -11 to -20*
- . . . (Permittee used diligence to abate the violation)
- . . . Normal Compliance -1 to -10*
- . . . (Operator complied within the abatement period required)
- . . . Extended Compliance (Permittee took minimal actions for abatement to stay within the limits of the NOV or the violated standard, or the plan submitted for abatement was incomplete)

(Permittee complied with conditions and/or terms of approved Mining and Reclamation Plan)

EASY OR DIFFICULT ABATEMENT? ____

ASSIGN GOOD FAITH POINTS 0

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS

To be evaluated upon termination of the violation.

V. ASSESSMENT SUMMARY FOR N91-37-3-1

- I. TOTAL HISTORY POINTS 1 II. TOTAL SERIOUSNESS POINTS 12 TOTAL NEGLIGENCE POINTS 16 III. IV. TOTAL GOOD FAITH POINTS 0
 - TOTAL ASSESSED POINTS 29
 - TOTAL ASSESSED FINE \$ 380.00